

The Black Feather Foundation Inspires Leadership at Youth Sports Day for Afghan Refugee Children

Bringing joy and empowerment through sports, health and education, The Black Feather Foundation hosts a memorable event for Afghan refugee children in Maryland.

WASHINGTON, DC, UNITED STATES, May 7, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Black Feather Foundation recently hosted a Youth Sports Day in Maryland, leaving an indelible mark on the lives of Afghan refugee children. The event held as part of the Foundation's ongoing commitment to promoting health, education and empowerment through sports, provided a platform for children impacted by global conflicts to



The Black Feather Foundation Team

engage in a day of camaraderie, competition and growth.

The Youth Sports Day specifically catered to children who are part of the Priority 1, Priority 2 and Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) programs. These programs offer resettlement opportunities to individuals and families who have served alongside U.S. Armed Forces or under Chief of Mission authority, recognizing their invaluable contributions and the risks they face due to their service.

Joseph E. Robert III, Founder and Chairman of TBFF, and a Marine veteran, underscored the significance of sports in shaping the future of these children. "Youth Sports Day highlights the transformative power of sports as a universal language," said Robert. "Through play, children forge connections, break barriers and lay the foundation for a more peaceful tomorrow."

The event featured a range of sports activities, including basketball, soccer, kickball and playground games, providing not only physical exercise but also fostering psychological and social well-being among participants.

Iqbal Najimi, TBFF Regional Outreach and Programs Director, and a former Afghan diplomat, spoke passionately about the Foundation's mission. "As someone who has experienced the refugee journey firsthand, I understand the profound impact of support and engagement on a child's life," Najimi stated. "At TBFF, we're not just creating moments of joy, we're building lasting foundations for success and integration."

Generous contributions from local businesses, including Giant Food and Palace Halal Food, ensured a nourishing experience for all participants, further enhancing the impact of the event.

Looking ahead, The Black Feather
Foundation remains committed to its
mission of enriching the lives of
refugee children through sports, health
and education initiatives. With a focus
on supporting those under the Priority
1, Priority 2 and SIV programs, the
Foundation invites the community to
join its efforts in creating opportunities
for growth, empowerment and
success.

To learn more about how you can support or participate in future initiatives, visit our <u>website</u>.

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Young refugee child playing with a hula hoop during The Black Feather Foundation Youth Sports Day



The Black Feather Foundation Founder, Joseph Robert III and CEO Patti Katter engage in heartfelt dialogue with Afghan refugee community leaders over a cup of tea.

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